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Fresh Deciduous Fruit

Reauthorization and Addition of More Ports of Entry for U.S. Apples 2001

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Report Highlights:

On December 14, 2001, the Mexican government announced four additional ports of entry for U.S. apples, which brings to nine the total number of officially authorized border crossings.

Includes PSD changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes a final resolution published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on December 14, 2001.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: On December 14, 2001, the Secretariat of Treasury (SHCP) announced in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) the reauthorization and addition of certain customs ports of entry for apples from the United States. The announcement reauthorized Mexicali, Nuevo Laredo, and Veracruz as official border crossings and added Tuxpan. This brings to nine the total number of authorized border crossings for U.S. apples: Ciudad Juarez, Ciudad Reynosa, Manzanillo, Mexicali, Nogales, Nuevo Laredo, Tijuana, Tuxpan, and Veracruz. Earlier this year in a June 29, 2001 *Diario Oficial* announcement, SHCP had limited U.S. apple imports to only five ports of entry (see report MX1102), effectively decreasing by half the number of official entry points for U.S. apples which had been originally agreed upon by USDA and SAGARPA under an Apple Work Plan signed in 1996. Since June of this year, the Office of Agricultural Affairs in Mexico had been requesting that SHCP reopen those ports which were originally agreed to by SAGARPA, its sister agency. This announcement is part of SHCP's 2000 Fiscal Year Budget for Foreign Trade.

Title: Annex 21 of the 24th Resolution of Modification to the Miscellaneous Resolution of Foreign Trade for 2000.

Type of Regulation: Final

Important Dates

- 1. Publication Date:** December 14, 2001
- 2. Effective Date:** December 21, 2001

Products Affected: U.S. Apples

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